



Democratic presidential candidates from left, former Virginia Sen. Jim Webb, Sen. Bernie Sanders, of Vermont, Hillary Rodham Clinton, former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley, and former Rhode Island Gov. Lincoln Chafee take the stage before the CNN Democratic presidential debate Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Las Vegas. (AP Photo/John Locher) Page 4

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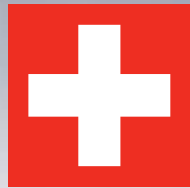
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# US says Iraqis now in position to retake city of Ramadi

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AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — After months of preliminary

military official said Tuesday.

Army Col. Steve Warren, a spokesman in Baghdad for

Iraqi F-16 fighter jets have recently joined the battle in support of Iraqi ground forces.

a counteroffensive that the Iraqi government announced in July.

It has been stalled for numerous reasons, including the Islamic State's effective use of improvised land mines.

The counteroffensive also has been weakened by sectarian divisions within the Iraqi government.

"We now believe that battlefield conditions are set for the ISF to push into the city," Warren added, using

an acronym for Iraqi Security Forces, which collapsed in Ramadi in May, allowing the Islamic State group to capture the Sunni city.

Ramadi is the capital of Anbar province.

The loss of Ramadi was the most damaging Iraqi setback this year against the Islamic State, which in 2014 captured the northern city of Mosul and still controls much of northern and western Iraq despite more than a year of U.S. airstrikes. □



Defense Secretary Ash Carter speaks to reporters at the Pentagon. After months of preliminary skirmishes and hundreds of U.S. airstrikes, conditions are now right for Iraq to launch a decisive assault on Ramadi and reclaim the provincial capital from Islamic State fighters, a U.S. military official said Tuesday.

(AP Photo/Manuel Balce Ceneta)

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the U.S.-led coalition that is fighting the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria, said Iraqi ground forces have advanced about nine miles in recent days and are in the city's outer suburbs. He said

"Iraqi ground forces recently trained by the (U.S.-led) coalition have been deployed around Ramadi in time for the decisive phase of this operation," Warren said, referring to

## In Syria:

## US draws line on backing CIA-trained rebels

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Russian military intervention to prop up Syria's government has brought new scrutiny of the CIA's secret support to Syrian rebels fighting President Bashar Assad. But how far is the U.S. willing to go to empower its proxies to take on Vladimir Putin's allies? The answer seems to be: Not very far.

"Countering Russia's involvement in Syria doesn't rate nearly as high on the scale" as battling the Islamic State, which has declared a caliphate across parts of Syria and Iraq, White House spokesman Josh Earnest told reporters Tuesday. After the CIA spent more than two years secretly working with Arab

allies to arm, train and fund thousands of so-called moderate rebels to oppose Assad, American officials have watched in recent days as Russian bombs and missiles have targeted those groups.

U.S. officials and outside experts say the Obama administration is unlikely to protect CIA-backed rebels from Russian air strikes — by providing them with surface-to-air missiles, for example — for fear they could fall into the wrong hands and be used against passenger jets in a terrorist attack. There is also little appetite in the White House for a U.S.-enforced no-fly zone in Syria, officials say.

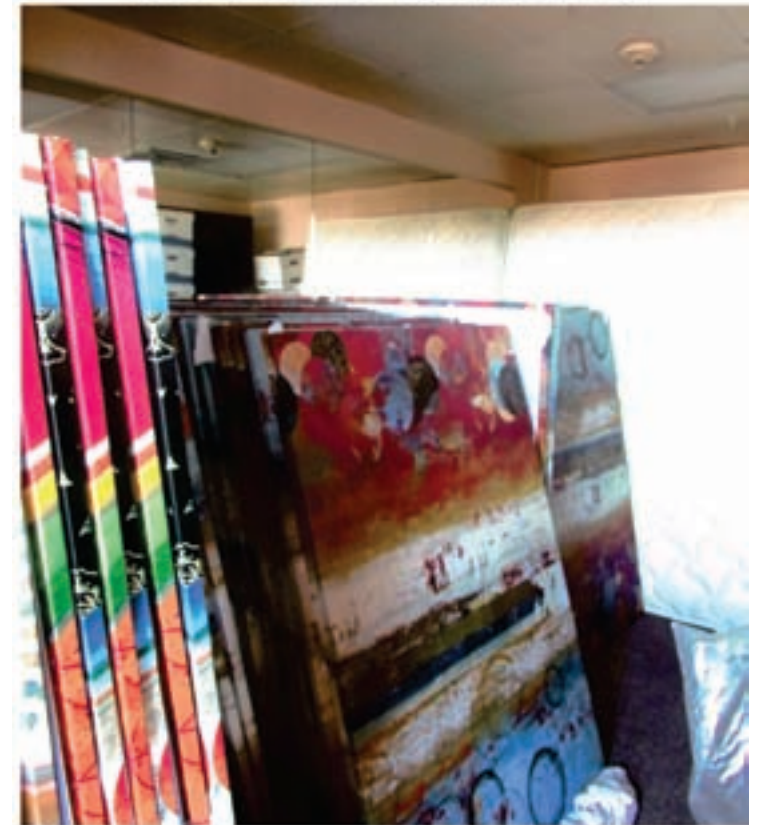
Instead, the U.S. has been continuing its delivery to

rebels of American-made TOW anti-tank missiles. Rebels have deployed the missiles to great effect over the last six months, and even more so in the last week, destroying dozens of Russian-made Syrian armored vehicles.

The CIA requires the vetted rebel groups it supports to take a video of every use of a TOW missile and to send the empty canisters back to American operatives in Turkey, according to Charles Lister, a Syrian expert at the Brookings Doha Center, a U.S. think tank branch in Qatar. A U.S. official confirmed the arrangement, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly. □

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# Candidates Clash in Vegas at First Democratic Debate



Sen. Bernie Sanders, of Vermont, left, and Hillary Rodham Clinton laugh during the CNN Democratic presidential debate, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Las Vegas.

(AP Photo/John Locher)

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**Associated Press**

**LAS VEGAS (AP)** — Hillary Rodham Clinton and Sen. Bernie Sanders clashed over U.S. involvement in the Middle East, gun control and economic policy in the first Democratic presidential debate Tuesday,

outlining competing visions for a party seeking to keep the White House for a third straight term.

Yet in a moment of political unity — and levity — Sanders leapt to Clinton's defense on the issue of her controversial email practices as secretary of state. "The American people are

sick and tired are hearing about your damn emails," Sanders exclaimed as the crowd in Las Vegas roared with applause. A smiling Clinton reached over to shake his hand and said, "Thank you, Bernie." While the five candidates onstage took issue with each other, they also re-

peatedly sounded traditional Democratic themes — such as fighting income inequality — that are sure to carry over to the general election campaign against the Republicans.

First, the Democrats must choose their own candidate. And throughout most of the two-hour debate Clinton played the role of aggressor, an unexpected shift for the Democratic front-runner who had barely mentioned her rivals since launching her campaign six months ago. Until now, Clinton and Sanders — who has emerged as her toughest competition — have circled each other cautiously and avoided personal attacks.

After the Vermont senator, a self-described democratic socialist, derided "a casino capitalist process by which so few have so much," Clinton said it would be a "big mistake" for the U.S. to turn its back on the system that built the American middle class. Asked whether she thought Sanders, who has a mixed record on gun control legislation, had been tough enough on the issue, she said simply, "No, I do not." Sanders defended his gun control record, and called for better mental health services, stricter background checks and closing a loophole that exempts gun shows from background checks.

The two also tangled over foreign policy, an issue where Clinton is often more hawkish than others in the Democratic Party. The former secretary of state reiterated her call for more robust U.S. action to stop the Syrian civil war and defended her judgment on international issues, despite having voted for the 2002 invasion of Iraq.

Sanders called the Iraq war "the worst foreign policy blunder in the history of our country" and said he would not support sending American combat troops back to the Middle East to fight terrorism.

"Nobody does, Senator Sanders," Clinton interjected.

Also hanging over the debate: the lengthy deliberations of Vice President Joe Biden, who is weighing a late entry into the Democratic race. Debate host CNN kept an extra podium on standby just in case Biden decided to show up, but the vice president instead stayed in Washington, where he was watching the debate at his residence.

For Democrats, Tuesday's debate was an opportunity to steal attention from the drama in the Republican primary, where more than a dozen candidates are fighting to overtake billionaire Donald Trump. The real estate mogul still made his presence known Tuesday night, sending a torrent of Twitter commentary on the Democrats' performances. "Sorry, there is no STAR on the stage tonight!" he wrote. While the Republican primary has been roiled by the emotional debate over immigration, the Democratic candidates were largely united in their call for providing a path to legal status for the millions of people currently in the U.S. illegally. The party is counting on general election support from Hispanics, a group that overwhelmingly voted for President Barack Obama in 2012.

Joining Clinton and Sanders on stage in Las Vegas was a trio of low-polling candidates looking for a breakthrough moment: former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley; Jim Webb, a former Navy secretary and U.S. senator from Virginia, and former senator and governor Lincoln Chafee, the Republican-turned independent-turned Democrat from Rhode Island.

For Clinton, the debate was a much-needed opportunity to focus on policy in addition to the controversy over her exclusive use of personal email and a private Internet server during her tenure in the Obama administration. The email issue has shadowed her rollout of numerous policy positions and has hurt her standing with voters. □

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## Court reinstates suit over NYPD surveillance of Muslims

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**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — A federal appeals court on Tuesday reinstated a lawsuit challenging the New York Police Department's surveillance of Muslim groups in New Jersey after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, saying any resulting harm came from the city's tactics, not the media's reporting of them.

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, reversing a judge's decision last year to dismiss the case, found the Muslim plaintiffs raised sufficient allegations of religious-freedom and equal-protection violations and put the case on track for trial. The court compared the spying to other instances of heightened scrutiny of religious and ethnic groups, including Japanese-Americans during World War II. In dismissing the lawsuit, U.S. District Judge William Martini had concluded the police could not keep watch "on Muslim terrorist activities without monitoring the Muslim community itself" and concurred with the city in blaming reporting by The Associated Press, which exposed the surveillance program, for any harm.

The appeals court said the attempt to blame the AP was akin to saying, "What you don't know can't hurt you. And, if you do know, don't shoot us. Shoot the messenger."

The lawsuit revived Tuesday was among legal actions that followed reports by the AP that revealed how city police infiltrated Muslim student groups, put informants in mosques and otherwise spied on Muslims as part of a broad effort to prevent terrorist attacks. The reporting was honored with a Pulitzer Prize.

Plaintiff Farhaj Hassan said he was "extremely ecstatic" about the court's decision.

"I'm very happy we will get our day in court," said Hassan, a U.S. Army sergeant who served in Iraq. "Muslim-Americans were the innocent community in this matter, and lo and behold their civil rights should be protected like everyone

else."

The city called the intelligence gathering an appropriate and legal anti-terrorism tactic and said it never spied on people or businesses solely because they were Muslim. Such a practice would be contrary to its values, a spokesman for the city's Law Department said.

"There's been no finding by the court that the NYPD did anything wrong or anything illegal," said Lawrence Byrne, the NYPD's deputy commissioner for legal matters. "It's simply a procedural opportunity for the plaintiffs to see if they can prove their case."

A senior NYPD official testified in 2012 that the demographics unit at the heart of the program never generated any leads or triggered a terrorism investigation, but former Mayor Michael Bloomberg, former police Commissioner Raymond Kelly and other officials have said the surveillance helped the nation's largest police department identify and thwart terror plots. Current police Commissioner William Bratton disbanded the unit last year and reassigned its detectives. Officials said a review concluded the same information could be better collected through direct contact with community group.

During oral arguments in January, the appellate panel questioned whether police had any specific leads to justify surveillance of Muslim businesses, mosques and student groups in New Jersey from 2002 to at least 2012.

The city argued that any injuries suffered by Muslims were "self-imposed, based on subjective fears" that may have led them to avoid gathering with other Muslims after the 9/11 attacks. A city lawyer told the appeals court that the plaintiffs couldn't simply infer the intent of the program was discriminatory.

The Muslim plaintiffs — including a grade school principal and members of the Muslim Student Association at Rutgers University — wanted the lawsuit re-



Kameelah Rashad demonstrates outside the U.S. Courthouse in Philadelphia. A federal appeals court on Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, reinstated a lawsuit challenging the New York Police Department's surveillance of Muslim groups in New Jersey after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, saying any resulting harm came from the city's tactics, not the media's reporting of them.

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vived in part so they could learn more about the program.

Their lawyer, Baher Azmy, said Tuesday's ruling af-

firmed that police cannot use religion and courts cannot accept untested national security claims as justification for spying. □

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## Gun shop ordered to pay millions to injured police officers



Patrick Dunphy, an attorney for two Milwaukee police officers who were shot and seriously wounded by a gun purchased at a Wisconsin gun store, speaks to the media after jurors ordered the gun store to pay nearly \$6 million in damages, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Milwaukee.

(Rick Wood/Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel via AP)

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**MILWAUKEE (AP)** — Jurors ordered a Wisconsin gun store to pay nearly \$6 million on Tuesday in a lawsuit filed by two Milwaukee police officers who were shot and seriously wounded by

a gun purchased at the store. The ruling came in a negligence lawsuit filed by the officers against Badger Guns, a shop in suburban Milwaukee that authorities have linked to hundreds of firearms found at crime

scenes. The lawsuit said the shop ignored several warning signs that the gun used to shoot the officers was being sold to a so-called straw buyer who was illegally purchasing the weapon for someone else. Jurors sided with the of-

ficers, ruling that the store was negligent.

Officer Bryan Norberg and former Officer Graham Kunisch were both shot in the face after they stopped Julius Burton for riding his bike on the sidewalk in the summer of 2009.

Investigators said Burton got the weapon, a Taurus .40-caliber handgun, a month before the confrontation, after giving \$40 to another man, Jacob Collins, to make the purchase at the store in West Milwaukee.

One bullet shattered eight of Norberg's teeth, blew through his cheek and lodged into his shoulder. He remains on the force but said his wounds have made his work difficult. Kunisch was shot several times, resulting in him losing an eye and part of the frontal lobe of his brain. He said the wounds forced him to retire.

Jurors ordered the store to pay Norberg \$1.5 million and Kunisch \$3.6 million. The jury also ruled the store must pay \$730,000 in punitive damages.

The officers' lawyer, Patrick Dunphy, said Tuesday that he said his clients "feel very relieved," though he anticipates years of appeals. Defense attorneys declined to comment. The owners and operators of the gun shop weren't in court to hear the verdict.

The liability issues raised in the case gained attention in the U.S. presidential campaign, when Democratic front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton recently said she would push for a repeal of the George W. Bush-era gun law that Badger Guns' lawyers said shielded the store from such claims. The gun shop's attorneys denied wrongdoing and said the owner at the time of the sale, Adam Allan, couldn't be held financially responsible for crimes connected to a weapon sold at his shop and that the clerk who sold the weapon didn't intentionally commit a crime. Rather, they said the salesman had been duped by Collins and Burton, who went out of their way to deceive him. □

## Lawsuit: Court illegally jails people who can't pay fines

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**JACKSON, Mississippi (AP)** — Seven people have sued Mississippi's capital city, saying its municipal court illegally jailed them because they couldn't pay court fines. The federal lawsuit against Jackson, spearheaded by two nonprofit legal groups, is a prong in a nationwide fight over how poor people should be treated by the criminal justice system.

Similar suits have been filed in Alabama, Louisiana and Missouri. All accuse court systems of ignoring U.S. Supreme Court decisions that say courts must determine whether people have the ability to pay fines before jailing them for nonpayment. The lawyers say indigent people must be offered a chance to perform community service or else jail equals a "debtors' prison."

"This is not about giving

people a free pass or giving poor folks a get-out-of-jail-free card," said Cliff Johnson, a lawyer for the MacArthur Justice Center. "This is about not punishing people for the fact that they're poor, in a way other people don't experience." Mississippi law already states, "The defendant shall not be imprisoned if the defendant is financially unable to pay a fine." It was affirmed in a 1984 state Supreme Court decision.

All of the plaintiffs owed at least \$1,200 in fines and fees. The lawyers said none had a job or any significant assets when they were arrested. All faced orders to pay at least 65 percent of fines immediately or be jailed at the Hinds County Detention Center or the Hinds County Penal Farm. There, inmates can "work off" their debt at \$58 a day, or be credited at \$25 a day if they can't or won't work. The plaintiffs ask that the

city be barred from jailing people without checking defendants' ability to pay. They also want a ban on forcing people to work while in jail. The suit also asks a judge to order the city to pay damages to people who were jailed. The city released a statement saying it had been talking to the lawyers about their concerns, but will now "vigorously defend against these unfounded claims." □





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# California's sweeping new social policies could set trend

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Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)

— California ends its legislative season having enacted some of the country's most aggressive social policies: Laws requiring student vaccinations, granting terminally ill people the right to take life-ending medications, and mandating equal pay for women were among dozens approved. The range of sweeping new laws in the most populous state reflects legislators' desire to set a national trend on progressive social and environmental issues while sidestepping more thorny economic matters.

Many interest groups and politicians see California as the brass ring for setting policies — and then testing whether those policies can withstand rigorous challenges.

"Both the vaccine bill and the right-to-die legislation will be seriously looked at by other states," said Sherry Bebitch-Jeffe, senior political science fellow at the University of Southern California. "If it can pass here and it is perceived to work here, I think the proponents have a big positive jolt out of the victory in California." She believes over the next five to 10 years, the nation will look more like California both demographically and politically.

Gov. Jerry Brown, a lifelong



California Gov. Jerry Brown, sitting center, surrounded by government officials, signs landmark legislation, bill SB350 by Senate President pro Tempore Kevin De Leon, third from left, to combat climate change by increasing the state's renewable electricity use to 50 percent and doubling energy efficiency in existing buildings by 2030 at a ceremony in Los Angeles on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2015.

(AP Photo/Damian Dovarganes)

Catholic and former Jesuit seminarian, ended months of speculation when he signed the hotly debated right-to-die law, saying he doesn't want to deprive the terminally ill of that option.

Advocates pushed for such laws in at least two dozen states this year following the highly publicized death

of activist Brittany Maynard, a California woman with terminal brain cancer who moved to Oregon to legally end her life.

The legislation faltered elsewhere, but advocates hailed the California win as their most significant. They called it the "biggest victory for the death-with-dignity movement since Oregon

passed the nation's first law two decades ago."

With the worst of the state's budget crisis behind them, Democratic lawmakers who control both houses of the Legislature are free to resume a liberal agenda of extending protections to the most vulnerable. But they lack the critical two-thirds majority required to

approve tax increases or fees.

Brown won approval for robust climate change legislation. But Republicans and moderate Democrats who are a growing force in the state capital successfully stripped it of a mandate to cut oil use in California by half within 15 years, marking a rare defeat for the 77-year-old governor.

The new law requires the state to get half its electricity from renewable sources by 2030, continuing California's "leadership in terms of social and environmental issues," said Larry Gerston, a professor emeritus at San Jose State University.

Similarly, several states already are examining equal pay legislation after its passage in California.

"It's the panoply of issues that California, if not in a leadership position, is always close to it," Gerston said. "The various voices are represented here much more, in more forceful ways." Despite the Legislature's liberal bent, the year also marked another win for business interests, who defeated 18 of the 19 bills the Chamber of Commerce dubbed "job killers." Besides stripping the climate bill of an oil mandate, they again stymied efforts to tax tobacco and oil, and opted not to alter the state's landmark property tax limitation law. □

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## Russian Embassy shelled in Syria as insurgents hit back

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**Associated Press**

**DAMASCUS, Syria (AP)** — The Russian Embassy in Damascus was shelled Tuesday as pro-government demonstrators gathered outside, and Syria's largest insurgent coalition announced an offensive to counter Moscow's airstrikes that have injected new fury in the conflict. Al-Qaida's branch in Syria, meanwhile, released an audio message purportedly from its leader urging Muslims in the former Soviet Union to attack Russian civilians if Russia targets civilians in Syria. The developments underscored the complications brought about by Russia's military intervention in Syria,

which is fueling an already brutal conflict with a multitude of radical groups. No one was hurt in the embassy shelling, officials said, and it was not the first time the compound has been hit during the civil war. The attack came as hundreds of people were gathered outside to thank Moscow for its military intervention. An Associated Press reporter who was outside the embassy when the first shell slammed into the compound in central Damascus saw smoke billowing from inside. As people ran away, another shell hit the area, landing about 200 meters (yards) from the compound. It was not clear if the attack had targeted the rally. "This is obviously a terrorist



This photo shows Syrians holding photos of Syrian President Bashar Assad and Russian flags, during a protest to thank Moscow for its intervention in Syria, in front of the Russian embassy in Damascus, Syria, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015. (SANA via AP)

act intended to probably frighten supporters of the war against terror," said Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov. Insurgents have vowed to fight back after Moscow began its airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30. Russia has

been one of the strongest supporters of Syrian President Bashar Assad since the start of the uprising in 2011. The civil war has killed more than 250,000 people and displaced half of Syria's prewar population of

23 million. On Tuesday, the Army of Conquest, a coalition that includes several powerful rebel factions as well as the al-Qaida-affiliated Nusra Front, announced its counteroffensive against government forces. □

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## Suicide bombers 'originated' from Syria

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**Associated Press**  
**ANKARA, Turkey (AP)** — Turkey has intelligence suggesting that militants "originating" from Syria were planning to carry out attacks in Turkey, the country's president said Tuesday, but added that no groups were being ruled out in the investigation into a deadly attack on a peace rally. Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, speaking at a joint news conference with the visiting Finnish president, admitted for the first time that there were "some" government

security flaws prior to the bombing attacks Saturday that killed 97 people and wounded hundreds, but said the scale of the "mistake" would emerge after an investigation. Erdogan rejected opposition parties' calls for the resignation of some officials. The two suicide bombings came just weeks before Turkey's Nov. 1 election, which is effectively a re-run of an inconclusive June election. The bombings raised fears that Turkey — a member of NATO, a candidate for European Union membership, a

neighbor of war-torn Syria and the host for more refugees than any other nation — may be heading toward a period of instability. The blasts have further polarized Turkey as it grapples with more than 2 million refugees and tries to avoid being drawn into the chaos in neighboring Syria and Iraq. "There is certain intelligence about some preparations that were made by (terrorists) entering our country and carrying out various acts — and that they originated from Syria," Erdogan said. □





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## Dutch probe: Buk missile downed Malaysian jet in Ukraine

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The missile shot skyward from war-ravaged eastern Ukraine. With deadly accuracy more than six miles up, it detonated just in front of the Malaysia Airlines jet-liner, sending hundreds of jagged steel shards ripping through its aluminum skin at up to 5,600 mph and shearing the cockpit from the rest of the plane.

The two pilots and purser in the cockpit died instantly, and the Boeing 777 disintegrated and fell to earth, killing the rest of the 298 men, women and children aboard Flight 17 on July 17, 2014, Dutch investigators said Tuesday in a long-awaited report.

Some of the victims may have been conscious for 60 to 90 seconds, the Dutch Safety Board said, but they probably were not fully aware of what was happening in the oxygen-starved, freezing chaos. The

tornado-like airflow surging through the doomed jet as it came apart was powerful enough to tear off people's clothes and leave naked corpses amid the fields of sunflowers.

The 15-month Dutch investigation blamed a Soviet-made surface-to-air Buk missile for downing the Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur flight, but it did not explicitly say who had fired it. It identified an area of 320 square kilometers (120 square miles) where it said the launch must have taken place, and all of the land was in the hands of pro-Russian separatists fighting Ukrainian forces at the time of the disaster, according to daily maps of fighting released by the Ukrainian National Security Council.

The Dutch Safety Board also found that the tragedy wouldn't have happened if the airspace of eastern Ukraine had been totally closed to passenger planes as fighting raged below. □



Journalists take images of part of the reconstructed forward section of the fuselage after the presentation of the Dutch Safety Board's final report into what caused Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 to break up high over Eastern Ukraine last year, killing all 298 people on board, during a press conference in Gilze-Rijen, central Netherlands, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015. (AP Photo/Peter Dejong)

## AP: Protests over Spanish court probe of Catalan secession poll

**EMILIO MORENATTI**  
**CIARAN GILES**


**Associated Press**

**BARCELONA, Spain (AP)** — Thousands of pro-Catalan independence supporters on Tuesday protested the start of a Spanish court investigation into the regional government's symbolic referendum on secession from Spain last year.

New Barcelona mayor Ada Colau headed the demonstration, reading a statement backing Catalonia's demand for the right to self-determination. The rally came after a regional official and a former regional deputy president

were questioned over their suspected roles in holding the poll.

Catalonia's regional leader Artur Mas is also under investigation and is scheduled to testify Thursday. Spain's Constitutional Court suspended the Nov. 9, 2014, referendum but Catalonia held it anyway, calling it an informal effort. Prosecutors accuse Mas of grave disobedience, abuse of public funds, prevarication, usurping powers and obstructing justice. If tried and found guilty, he could face disqualification from office or up to one year in jail. □



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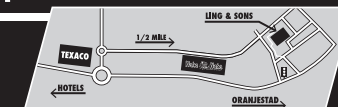
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## France, Saudi Arabia deepen alliance with 10B euros in deals

**ABDULLAH AL-SHIHRI**  
**AYA BATRAWY**  
Associated Press  
**RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP)**

— France has signed deals worth 10 billion euros (\$11.4 billion) with Saudi Arabia, said French Prime Minister Manuel Valls on Tuesday, underscoring the shared foreign policy stances that have helped deepen the two countries' military and economic ties.

Valls, who announced the deals on his official Twitter account, is in Saudi Arabia with a large delegation of French business representatives and top officials, including Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius and Defense Minister Jean-Yves Le Drian.

France's Foreign Ministry said in a statement that the deal includes the start of negotiations to pro-



**King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia, right, receives the Prime Minister of France Manuel Valls in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Tuesday Oct. 13, 2015.**

(Saudi Press Agency via AP)

vide Saudi Arabia with its own communication and observation satellites — something the kingdom has been coveting as it expands its regional military reach and fights a war against Shiite rebels in Yemen.

The two sides also signed deals in Riyadh for \$2 bil-

lion worth of Saudi public investment in French private funds with a focus on renewable energy and signed a letter of intent for cooperation in that sector. They also signed a cooperation agreement to establish a naval research center and to increase joint military training exercises.

The two countries agreed to hold another joint session in Paris next March.

The visit to Saudi Arabia is part of a regional tour that included stops in Jordan and Egypt, where a \$1.1 billion deal for two French Mistral amphibious assault ships was signed.

The French delegation, which arrived in Saudi Arabia on Monday, held talks with King Salman, Crown Prince and Interior Minister Mohammed bin Nayef and Deputy Crown Prince and Defense Minister Mohammed bin Salman in the capital, Riyadh.

A French official, who spoke anonymously because he was not authorized to speak to the media, says a military helicopter deal is also expected to be signed in Riyadh. In June, Saudi Arabia signed

agreements worth billions of dollars to buy 23 helicopters for the Interior Ministry, 50 Airbus jets and two possible nuclear reactors from France. The alliance between France and Saudi Arabia has grown stronger in recent years as ties between Washington and Riyadh cooled under President Barack Obama, particularly following his administration's strong backing of a nuclear deal between Iran and the world powers. Though France was a part of the nuclear negotiations, its position has more strongly reflected Saudi concerns that the deal could bolster Iran's influence in the region if economic sanctions are not lifted gradually. Iran and Saudi Arabia back opposite sides in the civil war in Syria. □

## Israeli leader vows 'aggressive steps' to halt fighting

**JOSEF FEDERMAN**  
Associated Press  
**JERUSALEM (AP)**

— Israel's prime minister on Tuesday said he would take a series of "aggressive steps" to halt a wave of violence in Israeli cities after two attacks in Jerusalem left three Israelis dead. Three Palestinians, including two attackers, were also killed. The attacks in Jerusalem, including a deadly shooting and knifing spree on a bus and a violent hacking attack caught on video,

escalated the month-long unrest and raised the pressure on Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to take action. The government has been unable to stop the violence, carried out mostly by young Palestinians unaffiliated with known militant groups and apparently acting on their own.

"Today we will decide on a series of additional aggressive steps in our war against terrorists and inciters," Netanyahu said in

a speech to parliament. "We will use, and not hesitate to use, all means at our disposal to restore calm."

Netanyahu left a meeting of top security officials to deliver the speech, and quickly returned. The deliberations continued into the evening.

Channel 2 TV said measures under consideration include a deployment of Israeli soldiers in the streets of Jerusalem to assist police, surrounding Palestin-

ian neighborhoods in the eastern part of the city with troops, stepping up demolitions of attackers' homes, and stripping the families of attackers of their residence rights. No decisions were immediately made.

The violence erupted last month over the Jewish New Year, fueled by rumors that Israel was plotting to take over Jerusalem's most sensitive holy site. While Israel says the rumors are unfounded, clashes have quickly

spread across Israel and into the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Eight Israelis have died in a string of stabbings, shootings and the stoning of a car, while 29 Palestinians — including 12 identified by Israel as attackers — have been killed. In new bloodshed, a 27-year-old Palestinian man was shot dead in a protest in the West Bank town of Bethlehem. The Israeli military said he was hurling a firebomb at a car. □



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## Aruba Aloe Invites the Community to Team Up in the Fight Against Breast Cancer

**ORANJESTAD** - This October, as part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Aruba Aloe will launch its annual "Because We Care, We Share" campaign to support Aruba's Mary Joan Foundation and promote breast cancer awareness. With every purchase of \$75, Aruba Aloe will donate \$4.50 to the Mary Joan Foundation. The purchaser will receive a free special "125-year-Anniversary-edition Ultra-Intensive Cream" as a gift (value of \$18) for their contribution, as well as a pink breast cancer awareness ribbon to show their support and spread awareness within the local community. Breast cancer is by far the most common cancer in women worldwide. One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. Since 2008, worldwide breast cancer incidence has increased by more than 20 percent while mortality has increased by 14 percent.

One-third of cancer deaths could be decreased if detected and treated early. Breast Cancer Awareness Month is a chance to raise awareness about the importance of early detection of breast cancer, as well as raise funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and cure. Aruba Aloe will support this cause by contributing to Aruba's local breast cancer organization, the Mary Joan Foundation, which gives support to those suffering from breast cancer, breast cancer survivors, and their families and friends, and also helps spread awareness about breast cancer, particularly the importance of early detection. "Because We Care, We Share" is a great opportunity for Aruba Aloe's clients to team up with Aruba Aloe to spread breast cancer awareness while also enjoying a special "125-year-Anniversary-edition" gift from Aruba Aloe. Aruba



Aloe invites the community to visit its stores this October to participate in this special

campaign. It also encourages the local community to visit and share the

Mary Joan Foundation's Facebook page to help increase awareness.

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## In Haiti capital, gunmen kill US missionary in her car

DAVID McFADDEN

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)

— An American missionary who had been working in Haiti for many years was fatally shot by gunmen in the impoverished country's capital as she sat behind the wheel of her car on a residential street, colleagues and police said early Tuesday.

Haitian National Police spokesman Frantz Lerebours said the attackers also kidnapped a 4-year-old child from missionary Roberta Edwards' car after shooting her at close range. It was not immediately clear if the child was one of the roughly 20 youngsters who received foster care at the children's home that she ran in Port-au-Prince.

"Investigators are working to find the killers and the kidnapped child," said Lerebours, adding the incident occurred Saturday evening in the Croix-des-Bouquets district.

The Estes Church of Christ, based in Henderson, Tennessee, said the missionary's car was intentionally blocked Saturday evening by another motorist. Armed men got out of the car, fired into Edwards' vehicle



This 2009 photo shows missionary Roberta Edwards posing for a portrait in Henderson, Tennessee. The American missionary who had been working in Haiti for decades was fatally shot by gunmen on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015 in Port-au-Prince's Croix-des-Bouquets district as she sat behind the wheel of her car on a residential street, colleagues and police said.

(Kristi Montague via AP)

and killed her.

The slain American ran the Sonlight Children's Home since 2002, according to the Tennessee church that oversaw her work in Haiti.

She also directed a nutrition center that provided two meals a day, five days a week, to 160 poor youngsters, who also received funding for school fees.

Elders from the Estes Church said Edwards was a "light" to many and dedicated her life to bringing hope to the hopeless.

"It is our intention to honor her memory by continuing the battle against Satan in Haiti and pressing on in the work of God's kingdom," the group said in a statement posted on their website.

Burt Nowers, president of the Healing Hands International religious group in Nashville, said in a phone interview that Edwards was well aware of the challenges of working in Haiti's capital and owned a handgun for protection.

"She knew it was a dangerous place and she took precautions. It just didn't work out for her this time," Nowers said, adding that Edwards first moved to Haiti roughly two decades ago with her Haitian husband, but the marriage didn't last.

Nowers, whose organization worked with Edwards on projects over the years, said he was told that two older boys who received care at the children's home were in the car with the missionary when she was attacked but they escaped harm. □

## Philippines backs US plan to sail ship near Chinese isle

MANILA, Philippines (AP) —

The Philippines on Tuesday backed a reported U.S. plan to challenge China's territorial claims by deploying an American Navy ship close to a Chinese-built island in the South China Sea, saying it was important for the international community to safeguard freedom of navigation in the disputed waters.

The Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs said the reported U.S. plan to send a ship within 22 kilometers (14 miles) of the artificial island in the Spratly Islands "would be consistent with international law and a rules-based order for the region." The U.S. newspaper Navy Times reported last week that the Navy may soon receive approval for the mission to sail close to the island. Such a move would bolster Washington's stance that the artificial islands being constructed by China do not constitute sovereign territory and build a legal case under international law for the U.S. position, the newspaper said. The Department of Foreign Affairs said "failure to challenge false claims of sovereignty would undermine this order and lead China to the false conclusion that its claims are accepted as a fait accompli."

"It is important for the international community to safeguard freedom of navigation and overflight in the South China Sea," it said. "This is of paramount concern to all countries."

Aside from China and the Philippines, four other governments lay claim to part or all of the South China Sea, a busy passage-way for commercial and military vessels. □

## Portugal begins granting citizenship to Sephardic Jews

LISBON, Portugal (AP) —

Portugal has started granting citizenship rights to the descendants of Jews it persecuted five centuries ago. The Justice Ministry said Tuesday that on Oct. 2 it approved the first three of more than 200 applications it has received so far. The other applications are still being processed following a law that began in March. Seeking to make amends for past wrongdoing, both

Portugal and Spain adopted laws this year allowing citizenship for descendants of Sephardic Jews — the term commonly used for those who once lived in the Iberian peninsula — persecuted during the Inquisition. Alfonso Paredes Henriquez, a Panama-based real estate developer, said he and his brother were among Portugal's successful applicants. They are entitled to a passport and the

right to work and live in the 28-nation European Union. Paredes Henriquez said he initially intended to request Spanish citizenship but switched to Portugal after Spain's delays in enacting its law, which was finally approved in June.

The Jewish Community of Oporto in northern Portugal, which is one of the organizations vetting applications, said Paredes Henriquez is a descendant

of Spanish and Portuguese Jews. His ancestors were Rabbi Eliau Abraham Lopez, the great Sephardic rabbi of the Spanish-Portuguese community in Curaçao and of Spanish origin, and his wife Rachel Nunes da Fonseca, of Portuguese origin. The Community said Tuesday it has issued certificates for Jews from 23 countries, with two-thirds of them for Sephardic Jews from Turkey. □





**With New Cooperation with IBiSA:**

## KLM Curacao Marathon Expects Solid Participation from Aruba

**ORANJESTAD/WILLEMS-TAD** - On Sunday, November 29th, 2015, the second edition of KLM Curacao Marathon will take place. The event is organized by the Foundation "Run in the Sun".

Participants can choose between different distances: 5 km Walk or Run, 10 km Walk or Run, a half or full marathon, trail of 10.5 or 16.65 km. The organization has set a target to double the number of participants compared to the first edition of last year and so far runners from 21 countries have already registered. Aruba was very well represented during last year's marathon with more than 40 participants. The organization hopes this year it may count again on many enthusiastic participants from the island.

The organization:

The organization Foundation "Run in the Sun" aims to promote a healthy lifestyle for young and old in the Caribbean. The quality of standard of the KLM Marathon has a great appeal to international students and as such also promotes tourism to Curacao. The board of the foundation consists of founders Kees van Muiswinkel and Martin Does. The KLM Curacao Marathon is organized in cooperation with the Curacao Tourist Board, the Athletics Federation of Curacao and the Curacao Hospitality & Tourism Association. In addition, there is collaboration with the Royal Dutch Navy for support and assistance of the trails. This year there will be a new distance in this category, the 16.65 km trail, referring to the year 1665 when Michiel de Ruyter founded the Marine Corps.

Unique collaboration with IBiSA to register in Aruba: To encourage and fa-

cilitate participation from Aruba we are proud of the organization's recent collaboration with "Instituto Biba Saludabel y Activo (IBiSA)", as its official partner in Aruba. The mission of IBiSA is to promote a healthy and active lifestyle and as such to encourage sports and physical activity, which is parallel to the objectives of the Foundation "Run in the Sun". Especially for participants from Aruba, as of today, there

After Party. Results are immediately available after passing the finish line, accessible on the website and via the specially designed app which can be downloaded via iTunes or Google Play Store.

The entry fee for the marathon is 45 USD and for the half-marathon (35 USD), 10 km Walk & Run (\$ 22.50), Walk & Run (\$ 17.50), 10.5 km Trail (27.50 USD) 16.65 km Trail (35 USD).

Monique van Embden di-

a 10% discount on the price of the ticket if the passenger presents his/ her proof of registration for the event which can be printed after registration online.

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The route is Associated International Marathon and Distance Races (AIMS) certified. Starting point is the Lions Dive & Beach Resort. The half and full marathon participants run along the waterfront of the island. They come across the famous Queen Emma pontoon bridge over the Queen Juliana Bridge, which is with its 56.4 meters above sea level, this bridge is normally not accessible to pedestrians. The famous Handelskade is also part of the route.

Start and Finish:

The evening prior to the event is the traditional Pasta Party, prepared in collaboration with star chef and marathon runner Pascal Jalhay. The finish is followed by the After Party, which will be held on one of the most popular beaches of the island and promises to be a true Caribbean festival with local bands and artists.

Website: [klmcuracaomarathon.com](http://klmcuracaomarathon.com)

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is a separate registration option available on the website [www.klmcuracaomarathon.com](http://www.klmcuracaomarathon.com), facilitating participants who prefer to pay cash, to do so at the office of IBiSA. On the day of event, a representative of IBiSA will be present in Curacao for information and assistance in matters of registration, collecting the start entry permits and preparation.

Each participant will receive a bib number with a time registration chip, a cotton event T-shirt, and a participation medal. The organizers will also provide water stations and fruit along the route and two admission tickets for the

rector of IBiSA says "that IBiSA is promoting sports and physical activity, amongst which running events, in Aruba and sees the KLM Curacao Marathon as a unique opportunity for Aruban athletes to gain experience by participating in an international running event "not far from home".

Martin Does of the Foundation "Run in the Sun" is very excited about the collaboration and making the necessary arrangements for a representative of IBiSA in Curacao to assist the participants from Aruba during the event.

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Janine de Windt of the Curacao Tourist Board embraces the initiative of the KLM Curacao Marathon and is pleased that there are now attractive packages offered for participants from Aruba.

The free KLM Curacao Marathon app:

Last month, the first KLM Curacao Marathon app was launched in Curacao. The app provides all the relevant information about the event. Unique is that family, friends and fans in Aruba and around the world can follow their favorite runners in real time via a GPS connection and Track & Trace. The smartphone app will show the



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South Carolina head football coach Steve Spurrier waits to speak during a news conference held to announce he is resigning on Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, at the University Of South Carolina, in Columbia, S.C.  
Associated Press

## Spurrier resigns, takes blame for S. Carolina's slide

By PETE IACOBELLI  
AP Sports Writer

**COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP)** - Steve Spurrier knew it was time. South Carolina was struggling and the gregarious and once innovative coach was a big reason why. Always one to do things his way, Spurrier believed he needed to step aside, and no one was going to change his mind. Spurrier resigned as Gamecocks coach Tuesday, resisting pleas from the University of South Carolina president and athletic director to stay through the season - accepting the harsh reality that the team's awful first half was oh him.

"You can't keep a head coach as long as I have (coached) when it's heading in the wrong direction," Spurrier said.

The 70-year-old Spurrier considered leaving several times during his 11 seasons at South Carolina, most recently after last year's 6-6 regular season.

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# CHICAGOLAND



## Cubs advance to NLCS

Chicago Cubs' Kris Bryant (17) hits a triple against the St. Louis Cardinals during the 8th inning of Game 4 in baseball's National League Division Series, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Chicago.  
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## Federer loses opening match at Shanghai Masters

JUSTIN BERGMAN

Associated Press

**SHANGHAI (AP)** — For the second straight year, Roger Federer found himself in trouble in his opening match at the Shanghai Masters.

This time, he couldn't pull through.

The 17-time Grand Slam champion was broken late in the third set against Spanish qualifier Albert Ramos-Vinolas on Tuesday and lost 7-6 (4), 2-6, 6-3.

Federer was in a similar situation last year against Leonardo Mayer, but it ended very differently. He saved five match points before finally prevailing, and going on to win the tournament.

"Last year I got lucky," Federer said. "This year I didn't. So it's a pity."

Federer started off slowly against the 70th-ranked Ramos-Vinolas, failing to convert two break points in



Roger Federer of Switzerland reacts while playing against Albert Ramos-Vinolas of Spain during their men's singles match at the Shanghai Masters tennis tournament in Shanghai, China Tuesday Oct. 13, 2015.

Associated Press

the opening set and making a flurry of backhand errors to lose the tiebreaker. He captured the second set with ease, winning every point on his first serve, but Ramos-Vinolas got the only break in the third set and held on to close it out. It was the Spaniard's first win against a top-10 player in 16 matches.

"After second set I thought it will be like always, I will lose," Ramos-Vinolas said. "At the end after the break, I thought, OK, maybe I can do it."

The last time Federer and Ramos-Vinolas played, at Wimbledon in 2012, the Spaniard won only three games.

"I'm always cautious," Federer said. "I don't underestimate or lack respect for anybody out there. These guys are all touring professionals, they know what they're doing."

Federer hasn't played since helping Switzerland win a Davis Cup match the week after losing to Novak Djokovic in the U.S. Open final. He arrived in Shanghai early to have time to adjust to the time zone and conditions, but still didn't feel comfortable on Stadium Court.

"I just think the first round here in Shanghai has always been historically quite difficult, getting used to the conditions and the surface and the balls," Federer said. "But he did a good job. You could see he's been in the groove."

Ramos-Vinolas has been on a roll, albeit in lower-tier tournaments. Last month, he was asked to play the Catalonia championships near his home — and he won.

"I was resting at home. (The tournament) was close to my house. I played the

tournament just like a practice," the Spaniard said. "I think I cannot compare with this match today."

In another second-round match, former U.S. Open champion Marin Cilic defeated Borna Coric 6-1, 6-2, a day after saving a match point to win his first-round match.

Also, ninth-seeded Milos Raonic of Canada beat Thomaz Bellucci of Brazil 7-6 (5), 7-6 (2); No. 10 Gilles Simon of France beat Georgian qualifier Nikoloz Basila-

lashvili 6-3, 4-6, 6-0; No. 11 Richard Gasquet defeated Gilles Muller of Luxembourg 7-6 (4), 6-2; Jo-Wilfried Tsonga of France beat Victor Estrella Burgos 6-3, 6-2; and No. 12 Kevin Anderson of South Africa eliminated 37-year-old Tommy Haas of Germany 6-3, 7-5.

Haas, a former second-ranked player, has won only two matches in eight tournaments since returning from arthroscopic surgery on his right shoulder earlier this year. □

## Venus Williams rallies to advance to 2nd round in Hong Kong

**HONG KONG (AP)** — Venus Williams rallied to beat Yuliya Beygelzimer of Ukraine 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 Tuesday in the opening round of the Hong Kong Open.

The third-seeded Williams wore a bandage on her left thigh and looked hampered in her movements. However, she came from a break down three times in the final set to close out the win in 2 hours, 13 minutes. After leveling for 4-4 in the decider, she held her serve for the first time in the set to take a 5-4 lead before breaking again to secure the win.

"I like easy matches but there are no givens out there, and she came out and played the match of her life and that is what I have to be ready for all of the time," Williams said. "These are the kind of matches you want to win and then come out and improve on in your next match." Williams said she picked up the leg injury en

route to winning the Wuhan Open title last month, but that it's something she can cope with.

"I'm just trying to stay on court and play smart," Williams said. "The smartest thing to do would be to play two sets."

Former No. 1 Jelena Jankovic also advanced with a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Romanian qualifier Ana Bogdan.

"It was not an easy match. I didn't know my opponent and it took me some time to figure her out," Jankovic said.

Second-seeded Angelique Kerber defeated Italy's Francesca Schiavone 6-7 (4), 6-2, 6-3. Two other seeded players, No. 5 Samantha Stosur of Australia and No. 7 Caroline Garcia of France also earned straight-set victories.

Stosur defeated Japan's Risa Ozaki 6-3, 6-1 while Garcia brushed aside American Lauren Davis 6-1, 6-3. □



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# Howard returns to U.S., but Costa Rica wins 1-0

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AP Sports Writer

**HARRISON, N.J. (AP)** — Tim Howard made his first appearance in goal for the United States in 15 months and was unable to stop the Americans' slide.

Joel Campbell scored in the 70th minute, and Costa Rica beat the listless U.S. 1-0 in an exhibition Tuesday night.

Three days after a 3-2 loss to Mexico in a playoff for the region's Confederations Cup berth, the U.S. generated few scoring chances in the latest of a string of dismal performances this year that have led to criticism of coach Jurgen Klinsmann, who sent defender Fabian Johnson home for asking to be substituted late in Saturday's defeat.

The Americans finished fourth at this year's CONCACAF Gold Cup, their poorest performance since 2000, and are a team in transition as they head into the start of World Cup qualifying.

Howard took a one-year sabbatical from the national team after making 15 saves in the 2-1 round-of-16 loss to Belgium at last year's World Cup. When Howard returned last month, Klinsmann installed him as his No. 2 behind Brad Guzan. Howard sat on the bench for a pair of September exhibitions and for Saturday's extra-time defeat at the Rose Bowl.

Before a crowd of just 9,214 in almost two-thirds empty Red Bulls Arena, the Americans struggled defensively after second-half substitutions.

Jonathan Spector turned

the ball over, leading to the goal. Dave Myrie, who had just entered, crossed for Campbell, and the forward beat Danny Williams into space and sent a 12-yard, left-footed shot just past Howard's outstretched right arm into the far corner of the goal. Campbell, who has struggled for playing time at Arsenal, scored his 11th international goal but first since Costa Rica played Uruguay in last year's World Cup.

Nine players returned to their teams following Saturday's defeat, including starters DaMarcus Beasley, Matt Besler, Fabian Johnson, Kyle Beckerman, Michael Bradley and Clint Dempsey. Klinsmann said Monday he was angry with Johnson and sent him home because the defender asked to be substituted in the 111th minute Saturday.

Klinsmann kept only three starters from Saturday: central defender Geoff Cameron, midfielder Jermaine Jones and forward Jozy Altidore. All three were replaced at the start of the second half.

Costa Rica had several earlier chances. Brad Evans made a block to deny Johan Venegas with Howard's net open in the 43rd minute. Then in the 47th, a Campbell pass bounced past defender Michael Orozco to Marcos Urena, and Ventura Alvarado came over to interfere with the forward as Howard slid out.

Williams lost possession in the 59th minute, and Campbell dribbled in and took a 25-yard shot that

Howard jumped to tip over the crossbar with his right hand. Venegas was just wide when he redirected a cross to Howard's far post in the 49th.

Howard made an excellent sliding stop on Urena in the 88th. □



Costa Rica's Joel Campbell, right, scores a goal on United States goalkeeper Tim Howard, left, during the second half of an international soccer friendly match, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Harrison, N.J.

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## Cubs win NL Division Series, beat Cardinals 6-4 in Game 4

By **ANDREW SELIGMAN**  
AP Sports Writer

**CHICAGO (AP)** -- For the Chicago Cubs and their ever-hopeful fans, this bash was a long time in the making.

Kyle Schwarber, Anthony Rizzo and Javier Baez homered and the young Cubs clinched a postseason series at Wrigley Field for the first time ever, beating the St. Louis Cardinals 6-4 Tuesday to win the NL Division Series in four games.

Only once since they last brought home the World Series in 1908 had the Cubs won a playoff series and never before had they finished off the job at their century-plus-old ballpark.

But with a raucous, towel-waving crowd jamming the Friendly Confines, the North Siders gave generations of fans exactly what they wanted.

Closer Hector Rondon struck out Stephen Piscotty on a pitch in the dirt, and catcher Miguel Montero scooped the ball and made the tag to end it. That sent the Cubs streaming out of the dugout to start a wild celebration.

"They deserve it," Rizzo said in the middle of the party. "Hopefully, this is just a taste of what's to come."

Up-and-comers all season, first-year manager Joe Maddon's bunch of wild-card Cubs had arrived.

The Cubs are headed to the NL Championship Series for the first time since 2003. They beat Atlanta in the NLDS that year, but then lost in seven games to the Marlins. Chicago dropped those final two at home, including the infamous Bartman defeat in Game 6.

Chicago will face the winner of the Los Angeles Dodgers-New York Mets



**Chicago Cubs players celebrate after winning Game 4 in baseball's National League Division Series, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Chicago. The Cubs won 4-6.**

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matchup. The Mets took a 2-1 lead into Game 4 Tuesday night.

No team was hotter down the stretch than Chicago, which finished third in the majors with 97 wins after five straight losing seasons. The Cubs knocked out the two teams that finished ahead of them in the NL Central, beating Pittsburgh in the wild-card game and sending St. Louis home after it led the majors with 100 wins.

The banged-up Cardinals had reached the NLCS in the last four years.

Rizzo's solo drive to right off losing pitcher Kevin Siegrist in the sixth put Chicago back on top 5-4 after St. Louis scored two in the top half.

As if the fans were roaring at the top of their lungs

after that home run, they were really screaming after Schwarber's monstrous shot leading off the seventh. The ball seemed to disappear, possibly clearing the videoboard in right or hitting the Budweiser sign above it.

The late drives by Rizzo and Schwarber along with Baez's three-run homer off John Lackey in the second came after Chicago set a postseason record with six long balls in Monday's win.

And with the ball flying out again, the Cubs won for the 12th time in 13 games. Cubs starter Jason Hammel allowed two runs and three hits. He exited after giving up a leadoff walk to Jhonny Peralta in the fourth. Seven relievers combined to hold the Cardinals

to two runs and five hits the rest of the way. Trevor Cahill picked up the win and Rondon worked the ninth for the save.

Hammel settled down after giving up a two-run homer to Piscotty on the game's fourth pitch. He also singled in a run with two out in the second before Baez connected against Lackey, the man the Cardinals were counting on to keep their season going, to make it 4-2.

Lackey gave up four runs and four hits over three

innings after outpitching former teammate Jon Lester in a dominant series opener. And the Cardinals, playing without catcher Yadier Molina (left thumb), failed to advance in the postseason after winning at least one series the previous four years.

They scored two in the sixth to tie it. Tony Cruz drove in a run with a two-out double off Trevor Cahill but got thrown out at home by Jorge Soler trying to score on Brandon Moss' RBI single to right. □

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## Spurrier

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But a win over Miami in the Independence Bowl re-energized him and gave him hope for better things ahead.

The Gamecocks, though, have struggled at 2-4 and are 0-4 in the Southeastern Conference for the first time in Spurrier's 23 seasons in the league.

"I'm responsible. I'm the head coach," Spurrier said. "It's time for me to get out of the way and let somebody else have a go at it."

Spurrier said he felt he needed to step down now because he doesn't believe there is accountability with players if they know the coach won't be back next year. He also said he would be a recruiting liability. Spurrier said it was unlikely he'd ever be a head coach in college again because of the recruiting aspect. He did hope to consult for a team one day and promised players he'd still see them in the weight room and around town. He tried to keep things light hearted throughout the press conference.

"Why's everyone all dressed up?" Spurrier said entering the room. "This isn't a funeral."

Spurrier's decision ends a 16-year run for South Carolina football, which was led by two of college football's all-time greats in Lou Holtz (1999-2004) and Spurrier.

Spurrier had never had a losing season in 25 previous seasons coach at Duke (1987-89), Florida (1990-2001) or South Carolina, where he has been since 2005 talking about achieving things that hadn't been accomplished before with the Gamecocks.

"I was the best coach for this job 11 years ago, but I'm not today," he said.

Interim head coach Shawn Elliott said his job was to



In this Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015, South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier directs his team from the sideline during the first half of an NCAA college football game against Georgia in Athens, Ga.

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help the team move forward.

"Our team is not in shambles, as some might say," he said after Spurrier left the podium. "Not sure the change is what they've needed but the change is what they've got. Going to do everything we can to make the University of South Carolina proud of this football program."

Athletic director Ray Tanner said he would form a search committee and hire a firm to help identify candidates going forward. Tanner said Elliott would be a candidate to earn the full-time job.

Spurrier was in the middle of his 11th season at South Carolina and while the Gamecocks are struggling, university officials praised his accomplishments and impact he has had on the football program.

The winningest coach at Florida and South Carolina, Spurrier joins the late Bear Bryant as the only coaches to win the most games at two SEC schools.

Some questioned Spurrier might want to last long enough to surpass the Bear's mark of 159 SEC wins.

"Had I wanted to break that record, I would've stayed at Florida," Spurrier, who finishes with 131

league victories, said in 2013.

Spurrier said this summer he planned to coach two or three more years, then extended that to four or five years when several recruits who had committed to South Carolina backed away before signing day in February. Then in July, Spurrier held a defiant news conference, telling Gamecocks fans not to listen to "enemies" questioning his commitment level, or implying he could no longer effectively coach at his age. "We haven't lost it," Spurrier said in the summer. "We've got a dang good team."

But things have quickly spiraled downward this season.

The Gamecocks lost to Kentucky at home in the season's second week, then were blown out by SEC Eastern Division rival Georgia, 52-20, a week later.

Losses at Missouri and No. 6 LSU last week guaranteed Spurrier no better than a break-even season in the SEC.

South Carolina's inconsistency on offense this season has surely frustrated Spurrier, a Heisman Trophy winning quarterback at Florida who played for San Francisco and Tampa Bay

in the NFL. After beginning his coaching career in the USFL, and leading Duke, he returned to the Swamp and took the Gators to a national championship with a high-flying, Fun-n-

Gun attack.

The Gamecocks are 11th in total offense in the SEC, averaging 341 yards a game. South Carolina plays at home against Vanderbilt (2-3, 0-2) on Saturday. □

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## On The Fringe

# Regular tour is a different tune from Ryder, Presidents Cups

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**AP Golf Writer**

**NAPA, Calif. (AP)** — Those traveling, song-loving "Fanatics" at the Presidents Cup had no trouble finding the right tune for Branden Grace, with a slight change of lyrics.

"Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved his best for me." That he did.

The 27-year-old spark plug from South Africa was at his best for the International team all week at the Jack Nicklaus Golf Club Korea. Not only did he become only the second International player to go 5-0 for the week — Shigeki Maruyama was the other in 1998 — only one of those matches reached the 18th hole. And that might have been his defining moment. With partner Louis Oosthuizen having put his shot in the water, and the sky so dark that Grace could barely see the flag, he ripped a 3-wood into the wind and onto the edge of the green to secure a crucial point.

"He just showed that he's a world-class player, and there's no moment too big for him," Oosthuizen gushed that day. "He's going to be a really great player."

Grace already showed he has the goods, even if not everyone was paying attention.

He nearly crashed the Jordan Spieth-Dustin Johnson party at Chambers Bay, playing just as well as both



**International team player Branden Grace of South Africa watches his chip shot on the 16th hole during his singles match against United States' Matt Kuchar at the Presidents Cup on the Jack Nicklaus Golf Club Korea, in Incheon, South Korea, Sunday, Oct. 11, 2015.**

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of them. He was tied for the lead until one bad swing — his tee shot on the 16th that went over the railroad tracks and out of bounds — cost him. Grace also finished third at the PGA Championship, which is easy to overlook because Jason Day really didn't give anyone a chance at

Whistling Straits.

Also forgotten is how Grace first arrived on the golfing scene in 2012 by winning back-to-back weeks in South Africa, including a playoff victory over Ernie Els and Retief Goosen in the Volvo Golf Champions at Fancourt.

Even so, there's something

about a Presidents Cup or a Ryder Cup that allows for the appearance of a breakout moment.

It just doesn't always work out that way.

Jamie Donaldson contributed three points in Europe's victory last year at Gleneagles, and he delivered the signature moment with a 9-iron to tap-in range that was the clinching point. Donaldson has finished in the top five only twice since, though the Welshman was 38 and somewhat of a late bloomer in the first place.

A better example might be Graham DeLaet.

The Canadian had one of his best weeks of golf at the Presidents Cup two years ago at Muirfield Village. DeLaet and Jason Day earned the most points for the International team, and DeLaet finished his week by holing a bunker shot to beat Jordan Spieth on the 18th hole.

As well as he strikes the ball, and as much as he stepped up his game on a big stage, DeLaet was a feature story in golf magazines and a player to watch for years to come. Expectations got even higher when he finished one shot behind in consecutive weeks at Torrey Pines and Phoenix.

He reached as high as No. 28 in the world that week, but he still hasn't won on the PGA Tour and has fallen out of the top 100.

Remember Nicolas Colsaerts, the Belgium bomber?

He made a name for himself in one match at Medinah during the 2012 Ryder Cup by making eight birdies and an eagle and single-handedly beating Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker in fourballs. Given his length and surfer-cool attitude, he looked to be a star in the making. And maybe that day will come. But since then, Colsaerts has rarely come close to winning and dropped to No. 233 in the world.

What should set Grace apart from those examples is what he already has done — this year with two victories and the strong showing at Chambers Bay and Whistling Straits, his five-win season in 2012, ending last year with a seven-shot win over Oosthuizen.

If anything has held him back, or kept him from getting more attention, it's his lack of consistency. That's a problem for just about anyone (see Billy Horschel). "I think I get a bit streaky out there," Grace said. "The same happened in 2012. Got the one win and it led to another and five wins that season. I think the year where I didn't win, a couple of bad habits came back into my golf game, a little bit of struggling with the putting and things like that. But I've got that under control now. I think that's been the big turnaround for me so far this season."

That will determine where his game goes from here more than anything he did in a team uniform. □

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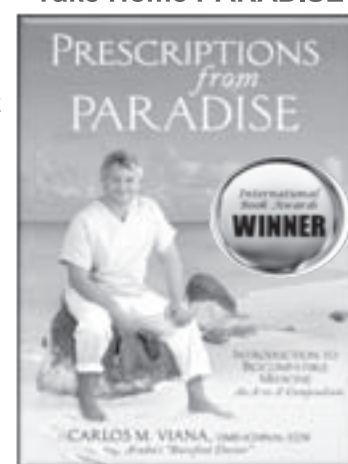
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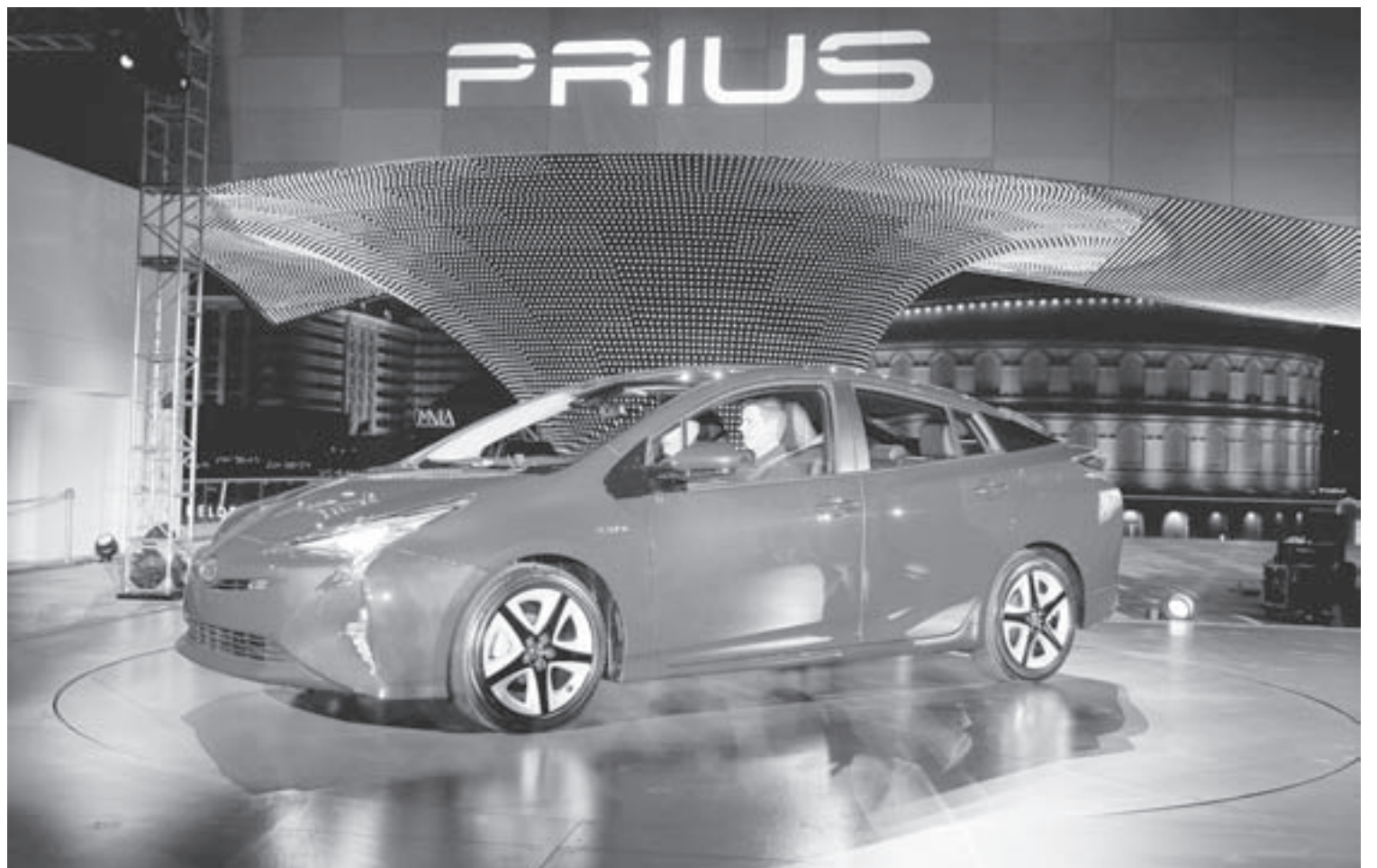
**TOKYO (AP)** — Toyota Motor Corp. released details for its fourth-generation Prius on Tuesday, promising that improvements in the battery, engine, wind resistance and weight mean better mileage for the world's top-selling hybrid car.

It gets up to 40 kilometers a liter under Japanese tests, which translates to more than 93 miles per gallon, a 20 percent improvement from the 2015 model. In the U.S., it gets 55 mpg in combined city and highway driving, about 10 percent better.

The Prius, which debuted in 1997, goes on sale in Japan in December, and rolls out in the U.S. and other markets early next year. A price was not announced, but it's expected to stay in the same range. The Prius now starts at about \$24,000 in the U.S. and 2.4 million yen (\$20,000) in Japan.

A hybrid switches back and forth between a gasoline engine and an electric motor to deliver a super-efficient drive, but is increasingly being challenged by even more futuristic technologies, such as the purely electric car and the fuel cell, which are both zero emissions.

Toyota officials said the efficiency of the Prius engine was beefed up 40 percent with reduced friction and improved combustion, while newly developed batteries are 10 percent



In this Sept. 8, 2015 file photo, the latest version of the Prius is displayed by Toyota at an event in Las Vegas.

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smaller yet have 28 percent better performance. The battery, which had been in the back luggage area, now fits under the back seat, meaning more luggage space.

"We started from scratch, looking at all the possibilities" for improvement, chief engineer Koji Toyoshima told reporters at a Tokyo showroom.

Toyota also made a point to deliver a smoother feel in driving, including four-wheel drive, as well as just-developed safety technology, including connecting

with traffic lights at street corners. The 2016 Prius was shown at the Las Vegas auto show last month, but the Japanese automaker didn't release details then. Toyota has sold about 4 million Prius vehicles globally, but its popularity is mostly limited to the U.S. and Japan. The recent drop in oil prices also works as a minus.

"The Toyota Prius is the most successful hybrid on the planet, but its success hasn't expanded to other hybrids, and even the Prius has struggled to maintain

sales in recent years," said Karl Brauer, senior analyst for Kelley Blue Book.


"The new Prius has some interesting design features but mostly stays true to the same formula Toyota has been using since it launched. It should hold steady in terms of sales because the Prius has a strong fan base, but convincing non-hybrid shoppers to give it a try will be even more difficult than in the past," he said.

The success of the hybrid is critical for Toyota, which leads in that technology,

accounting for 8 million of the 9 million such vehicles on the streets worldwide.

Whether Prius can continue to excite consumers would be its test.

Yoshiaki Kawano, manager at HIS Automotive in Tokyo, believes Prius will continue to be popular. The challenge from other hybrid models will help keep the overall hybrid option popular, and the challenge from electric cars and fuel cells will be limited for some time because of the need for infrastructure such as charging stations, he said. □



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## Stocks dip as investors assess earnings, deals

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**NEW YORK (AP)** — U.S. stocks dropped on Tuesday for the first day in five as investors assessed company earnings and the latest corporate deal news. More evidence of weakness in China's economy also unsettled the market. Ryder System led industrial stocks lower after the

Looking at the consumer numbers here in the U.S., they are still very strong." The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 13.77 points, or 0.7 percent, to 2,003.69. The Dow Jones industrial average declined 49.97 points, or 0.3 percent, to 17,081.89. The Nasdaq composite dropped 42.03 points, or 0.9 percent, to 4,796.61. Stocks started the day lower after a report showed

stock dropped \$7.02, or 9.3 percent, to \$68.63. Chemicals company FMC Corp. fell \$1.18, or 3.1 percent, to \$36.35. The company lowered its earnings outlook late Monday and will lay off up to 850 workers, citing the rapid devaluation of the Brazilian real. The falling real is hurting its agricultural solutions business and FMC said it can't raise prices fast enough to



**Trader Kevin Lodewick works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015. Stocks are opening slightly lower, breaking a winning streak, as traders worried about weak Chinese trade figures.**

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

transportation and logistics company cut its profit forecast for the third quarter. Molson Coors surged on speculation that a tie-up between the world's two largest brewers would give it an opportunity to expand its own business. The stock market started October with strong gains, rebounding from a big slump in the previous two months as investors worried about a slowing Chinese economy. This week investors are focusing on corporate earnings as they try and measure the impact that slowing global growth is having on profits. Companies that are focused on the U.S. are likely to do well as consumer confidence improves, said Jerry Braakman, chief investment officer of First American Trust. "It's been a rally here and the question is: 'Is this just a bounce?'" Braakman said. "The earnings season will help us a little with that.

that China's imports fell in September by an unexpectedly wide margin. Imports dropped 20.4 percent after a 5.5 percent decline in August. It was the latest sign of weakness in the country's economy and indicates anemic demand in the world's second biggest economy. "We don't think that this is a hard landing (for China's economy) in the making," said Stephen Freedman, Senior Investment Strategist, UBS Wealth Management Americas. "But we do acknowledge that there has been some spillover into the U.S." Among individual stocks, Ryder System was the biggest decliner in the S&P 500. The transportation and logistics company cut its earnings forecast for the third quarter, blaming lower-than-forecast growth at a unit that provides services to companies that own and operate truck fleets. Its

compensate. The company makes almost a quarter of its sales in Brazil. Overall, earnings for companies in the S&P 500 are forecast to contract by 5.4 percent for the third quarter, according to S&P Capital IQ. Much of the slump is attributable to a collapse in earnings at energy and material companies, where profits are shrinking as oil and commodity prices have plunged. Molson Coors was the biggest gainer in the S&P 500. The brewing company surged after AB InBev announced that it had reached an agreement to buy SABMiller. If the deal goes ahead, Molson Coors may get the opportunity to buy full ownership of its MillerCoors joint venture, which sells beers including Miller Lite, Coors Light and Blue Moon in the U.S. Molson Coors' stock jumped \$7.83, or 9.9 percent, to \$86.58. □

## Johnson & Johnson posts mixed 3Q results, authorizes a buyback

**LINDA A. JOHNSON**  
**AP Business Writer**

Johnson & Johnson, continuing a tough year of declining revenue, posted a 29 percent drop in third-quarter earnings as it was hammered by plunging sales of its hepatitis C medicine and unfavorable currency exchange rates.

The healthcare bellwether's results were also hurt by comparison to a year-ago when it had a \$2 billion gain from selling a large diagnostics business.

Company executives on Tuesday tried to put a positive spin on the results, saying that underlying performance remained strong after excluding multiple negative factors. J&J raised its profit forecast and announced a \$10 billion stock buyback plan that will be financed by issuing new debt.

J&J, based in New Brunswick, New Jersey, beat analysts' muted profit expectations for the quarter, but Wall Street was unimpressed. J&J shares slipped 33 cents to \$95.66 in midday trading Tuesday.

"International growth — the hoped-for growth driver — was anemic even after adjusting for currency swings, and the domestic market is dead in the water," wrote analyst Erik Gordon, a professor at the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business.

The U.S. consumer health business, nearly recovered after a long and embarrassing spate of recalls dating to 2009, was the lone bright spot, with a 9 percent sales increase, but it accounts for just 7.5 percent of sales.

"Domestic consumer sales of Tylenol and other brands that had suffered being off shelves for so long after the manufacturing problems are rebounding. The brand names still are strong," Gordon noted.

The maker of Tylenol, medical devices and Xarelto, for preventing heart attacks and stroke, reported third-quarter net income of \$3.36 billion, or \$1.20 per share, compared with \$4.75 billion, or \$1.66 per share, a year ago.

Adjusted net income, excluding the impact of its sale of its Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics business and higher charges for litigation and write-downs in the value of assets, was \$4.17 billion, or \$1.49 per share. That topped analysts' average expectation for \$1.44 per share.

J&J's revenue of \$17.1 billion missed analysts' forecasts for \$17.41 billion. The strong dollar, which reduces the value of products bought with local currency in other countries, cut total revenue by 8.2 percent, the company said.

The company increased its 2015 profit forecast to \$6.15 to \$6.20 per share, excluding one-time items, up from the company's July forecast of \$6.10 to \$6.20 per share. Analysts surveyed by FactSet expected \$6.16 per share. Pharmaceutical sales declined 7.4 percent to \$7.7 billion, mainly because sales of hepatitis C drug Olysio plunged 90 percent to just \$79 million. The drug was once seen as a likely blockbuster, but newer hepatitis C pills Sovaldi, Harvoni and Viekira Pak have since cornered the market and together are raking in billions every quarter.

Asked whether the recent furor over sky-high prescription drug prices would affect J&J's pricing, Chief Financial Officer Dominic Caruso told analysts on a conference call, "We think the real answer is to monitor and provide outcome-based measures (on drugs' benefits and risks) and not focus solely on price."

"We're very responsible in the pricing of our drugs," Caruso added.

Sales of consumer health products such as pain reliever Motrin and allergy pill Zyrtec fell 7.7 percent worldwide, to a total of \$3.3 billion. □



# JPMorgan earns \$6.27 billion in 3Q; misses its estimates

**KEN SWEET**

**AP Business Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — JPMorgan Chase & Co. saw its third-quarter profits rise 22 percent from a year earlier, helped by a tax benefit. But the bank's core results still missed analysts' expectations as revenue declined in most of JPMorgan's businesses.

The largest U.S. bank by assets said Tuesday it earned \$6.27 billion after payments

to preferred shareholders, up from a profit of \$5.13 billion a year earlier.

On a per share basis, the bank earned \$1.68 per share, compared with \$1.35 per share a year earlier.

Removing one-time items, including a \$2.2 billion tax benefit from issues related to the financial crisis, JPMorgan said it earned \$1.32 a share, which missed analysts' estimates of \$1.37 per share. Net revenue at the

bank totaled \$22.8 billion, compared with \$24.5 billion in the same period a year earlier.

JPMorgan Chase's consumer banking division, its largest business by revenue and net income, reported a 4 percent rise in profits as revenues fell 4 percent. The decline in revenues was primarily tied to lower mortgage income.

JPMorgan has been aggressively cutting costs in

its consumer bank through layoffs, attrition, branch closures and lower staffing levels. The consumer bank's headcount is down roughly 10,000 workers year-to-date.

In its corporate and investment banking division, the bank reported net income of \$1.46 billion, down 13 percent from a year earlier. JPMorgan Chief Financial Officer Marianne Lake said the summer's "generally

quite challenging" market conditions led to a decline in revenue in the division. Lower commodity prices also impacted the results.

Lower commodity prices also indirectly impacted JPMorgan's credit costs. The bank had to take out higher loan reserves to cover loans given to oil and gas companies.

JPMorgan shares were down 1.2 percent to \$60.99 in after-market trading. □

## Top beer makers to join forces to face industry challenges



A beer vender pours Bud Light into a cup at Wrigley Field before Game 4 in baseball's National League Division Series between the Chicago Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015, in Chicago. Anheuser Busch InBev clinched a deal Tuesday to take over SABMiller in a bid to stave off the megabrewers' most serious problems: the surge in popularity of craft brews and weakening sales in the rich markets of the U.S. and Europe.

(AP Photo/Paul Beatty)

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**Associated Press**  
**BRUSSELS (AP)** —

The world's biggest beer maker clinched a deal Tuesday

to take over its nearest rival in a bid to stave off the megabrewers' most serious problems: the surge in popularity of craft brews and weakening sales in the rich markets of the U.S. and Europe. SABMiller accepted in principle a takeover bid worth 69 billion pounds (\$106 billion) from Anheuser Busch InBev in a deal that seeks strength in size. The combined company would control nearly a third of the global market.

Belgium-based AB InBev, already the world's largest brewer, makes Budweiser, Corona, Stella Artois and Beck's. SABMiller, based in London, has Miller Genuine Draft, Peroni and Milwaukee's Best among its 200 or so brands.

AB InBev's determination to close the deal after five attempts shows how established beer brands know they have to act to adapt

to shifting global tastes.

In wealthy countries, people are turning to locally brewed beers or other drinks such as wine. In the U.S., craft beer sales account for 10 percent of beer volumes, compared with virtually nothing a few years ago. The same could soon apply in Europe, said Giulio Lombardi, senior director at Fitch Ratings.

"The global beer market overall is largely flat and in some regions is declining as other beverages such as wine continue to penetrate," said John Colley, professor at Warwick Business School in England. "Microbrewers and their highly differentiated cask ales also continue to make progress." In coming years, beer sales are expected to grow most in emerging economies in regions such as Africa, where SABMiller has a strong presence. □

## Twitter purging up to 336 workers as new CEO slashes costs

**MICHAEL LIEDTKE**

**Associated Press**

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Twitter is laying off up to 336 employees, signaling CEO Jack Dorsey's resolve to slash costs while the company struggles to make money.

The cutbacks announced Tuesday could equate to about 8 percent of Twitter's workforce of 4,100 people. The purge comes two weeks after Twitter brought back one of its co-founders as permanent CEO in hopes that Dorsey would be able to resolve problems that have slowed user

growth at the messaging service and compounded an uninterrupted cycle of financial losses.

Cutting costs can boost profits but at Twitter, it has also raises uncertainty about the future, the company's pursuit of faster growth and its ability to attract a bigger audience. The layoffs may be a sign of desperation at a sinking company, said Edison Investment Research analyst Richard Windsor.

"It is important to run a tight ship, but simply cutting jobs is often the action of a company that does

not know what else to do," Windsor said.

Dorsey told Twitter employees in a Tuesday letter that a more streamlined company will result in more products rolling out more quickly. "We feel strongly that engineering will move much faster with a smaller and nimbler team," Dorsey wrote.

Twitter's workforce has nearly doubled over the past two years, hindering efforts to turn a profit for the first time in its nine-year history. Since Dorsey and his partners started the service, Twitter has lost nearly

\$2 billion.

When reports of the anticipated layoffs surfaced late last week, investors initially fretted that Dorsey might be reacting to disappointing performance in the quarter that just ended in September. Twitter eased those worries Tuesday by disclosing that its revenue for the period will hit or slightly exceed its previously target of \$545 million to \$560 million. The official results are due out Oct. 27. Twitter's stock gained 99 cents, or 3.5 percent, to \$29.74 in midday trading Tuesday.

Dorsey has acknowledged that Twitter is too confusing for many people to use, turning off new users at a time when other social services such as Snapchat and Facebook's WhatsApp have grown in popularity.

As part of its revival plan, Twitter last week unveiled a new feature called "Moments" that packages commentary, video and photos about major events that have captured people's attention. The work on Moments began while Dorsey's predecessor, Dick Costolo, was still Twitter's CEO. □



## Mutts



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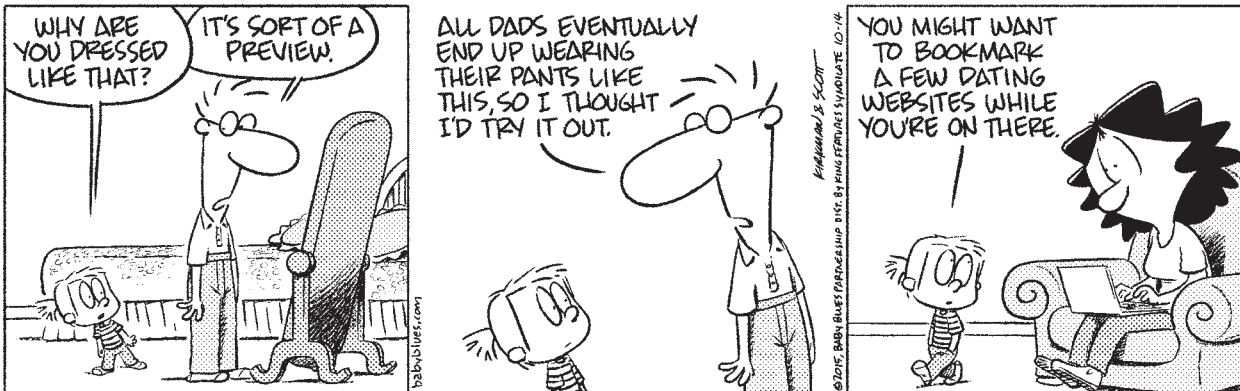
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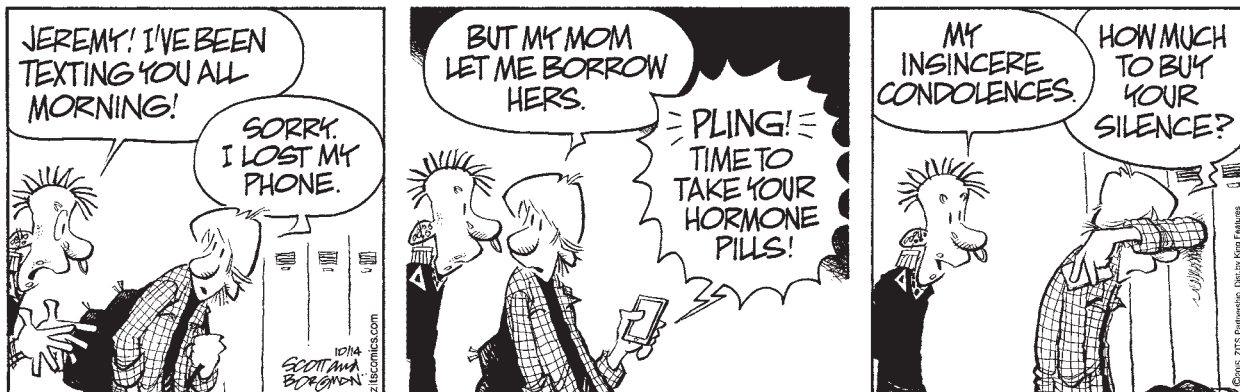
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## Baby Blues



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## Conceptis Sudoku

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1		3					4	
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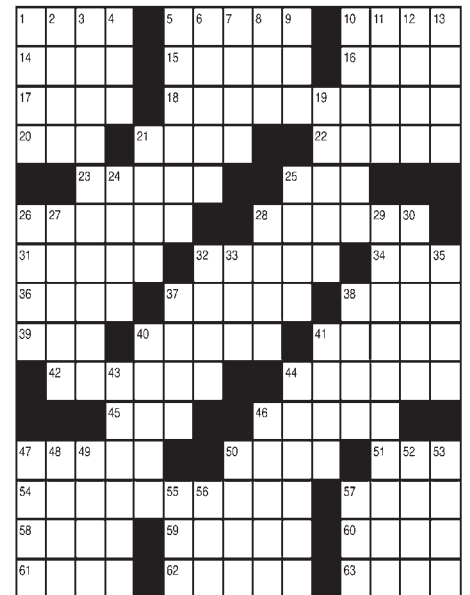
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

3	6	1	9	2	8	5	7	4
9	8	2	7	5	4	6	1	3
5	7	4	3	1	6	9	2	8
2	5	6	4	7	9	3	8	1
1	3	9	6	8	2	7	4	5
8	4	7	5	3	1	2	9	6
6	2	5	8	4	7	1	3	9
4	1	3	2	9	5	8	6	7
7	9	8	1	6	3	4	5	2

### ACROSS

- Swimming spot
- Joyful
- CT or MRI
- Uncommon
- Use a pencil's rubber end
- Spanish bull
- Dayton's state
- Draw new zoning lines
- Used a shovel
- Landers and others
- Dishwasher cycle
- Nepal's neighbor
- Nov.'s follower
- Alberta's nation
- Wooden boxes
- Dishonest folks
- Short-tailed weasel
- "Along, Little Dogies"
- Actress Shedy
- "Nothing \_\_\_"; firm refusal
- African nation
- Singer Tillis
- Stacks
- Wall recess
- Bundle of energy
- Under \_\_\_; being forced
- Wrath
- Fine fabric for a tablecloth
- Opening; gap
- Crushing vipers
- Actor Danson
- Deep cut
- Cafeteria patron's item
- Primates
- In a \_\_\_; sort of
- Go higher
- Ship's pole
- Mountains of South America
- Goes on stage



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### Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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ERRONEOUS	GEMS	
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SLOPES	PAINTERS	
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ANDS	LINEN	JUDE
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### DOWN

- Nudge
- Setting for TV's "Magnum, P.I."

- At first
- Zodiac sign
- Bulge possibly caused by heavy lifting
- Stadium
- Cushions
- Fraternity letter
- Affirmative
- No-nonsense
- Penny or nickel
- Rainbows
- Short letter
- "Trick or \_\_\_"
- Finds a total
- \_\_\_ a soul; no one
- Haul; lug
- Happy as a \_\_\_
- Felt miserable
- Pros and \_\_\_
- Self-absorbed
- Audible breaths
- Sing alone
- Even score
- Ballerina's supports
- Thin coin
- Grow weary

- Scraping knife
- Convent residents
- Friendliest
- Ladd & Sawyer
- Baggy
- Criticize severely
- Dad
- \_\_\_ a test; passes easily
- Tie up
- Vane direction
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- As busy \_\_\_ bee
- Smallest two-digit number
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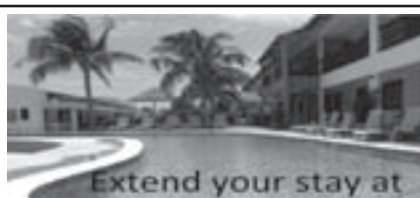
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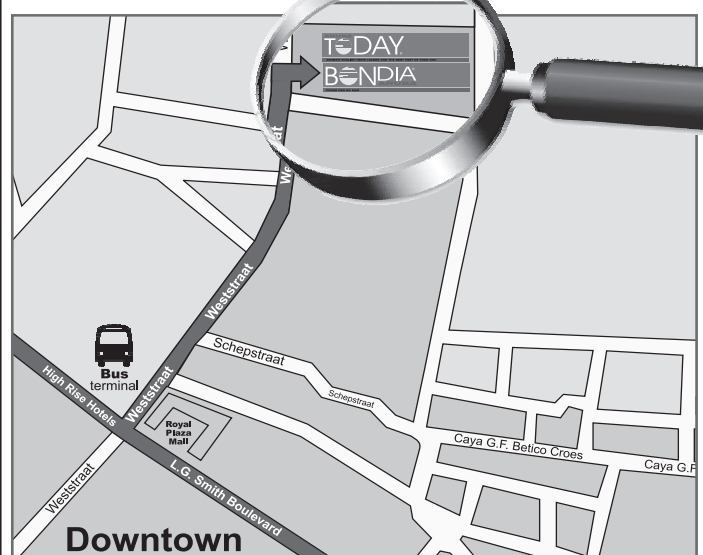


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## Wild aurochs-like cattle reintroduced in Czech

Republic

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Associated Press

MILOVICE, Czech Republic

(AP) — Such an animal has not been seen on Czech territory for hundreds of years.

A Dutch breeding program has recreated massive bovines closely related to aurochs, once the heaviest European land mammal and the wild ancestor of today's cattle that became extinct in the 17th century.

It is believed they disappeared from what is now the Czech Republic in the 12th or 13th century.

On Tuesday, a small herd was introduced to a Czech sanctuary as part of a project to use big-hoofed animals to maintain the steppe character of the former Milovice military base, 35 kilometers (22 miles) northeast of Prague. The beasts joined a herd of 15 wild horses from Britain's Exmoor National Park that were moved here in January with a task to stop the spread of aggressive and evasive grasses and bushes, delicacies to the animals.

The invasive plants began to grow after Soviet troops withdrew from the base in 1991, threatening the area's original plants and animals.

After a nine-hour drive and few more minutes of hesitation, five cows and a bull — all calves — jumped out of a truck at dawn to take the first look at their new home.

"They complement each other," said Dalibor Dostal, director of European Wildlife, the organization behind the project. He expects no conflicts between horses and cattle sharing the 40-hectare (99-acre) area.



**A Tauros, a cattle that thanks to a Dutch breeding program is close to the ancient Aurochs, that once were the heaviest European land mammals, walks inside an enclosure at the former military base in Milovice, Czech Republic, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015.**

Associated Press

"While the wild horses prefer grasses, the aurochs like the bushes. They don't compete. Their combination forms a natural partnership such as it was in the wild nature for thousands years."

The Dutch Tauros Foundation joined forces with the University of Wageningen and some other groups in the Tauros program, as the new animal is called, in 2008.

With knowledge of the aurochs' DNA, the scientists analyzed some existing primitive cattle breeds that are similar to their extinct ancestors. They included Pajuna, Sayaguesa and

Limia from Spain, Maremmana from Italy and Highlander from Scotland.

Through cross-breeding, they have been working on reconstructing the original aurochs with the goal to have "the presence of the Tauros as a self-sufficient wild bovine grazer in herds of at least 150 animals each in several rewilding areas in Europe," Rewilding Europe, another organization involved, said on its Web site. "In a few generations, we should be able to get an animal that looks like the aurochs and also has the same impact on the environment," Dostal said.

The Czech Republic is the

first country in Central and Eastern Europe to receive the animals from the Netherlands, with Romania to follow. There are already herds in Portugal, Spain and Croatia.

An aurochs bull could be about 180 centimeters (nearly six feet) tall, weigh a metric ton and have long, thick horns. The adult bulls turn from chestnut color to almost black with a typical white stripe along the spine; the cows are smaller and reddish-brown.

Aurochs roamed most of the European continent as well in Northern Africa and Asia for several hundred thousand years. Their

pictures appeared in a cave painting in France's Lascaux and entered the Greek mythology about founding Europe as Zeus kidnapped and seduced Europa in the form of an aurochs.

Frans Jacobs, Dutch cattle rancher who raised the animals and transported them to the Czech Republic, said he believed they will avoid the fate of the aurochs, whose last individual is said to have died in 1627 in Poland.

"They are supposed to be very strong cattle they eat whatever they can get," Jacobs said. "They will survive. They will survive us." □



# Taylor Swift leads American Music Awards nominations

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**NEW YORK (AP)** — Taylor Swift earned six American Music Awards nominations Tuesday, and if she wins everything she's up for, the singer will become the most-honored female artist in the show's history. Ed Sheeran and the Weeknd had five nominations each, trying to win their first awards. Sam Hunt, Nicki Minaj, Sam Smith, Meghan Trainor and Walk the Moon had three nominations each. Swift was one of 10 nominees for artist of the year, and her "Blank Space" was nominated for song of the year. She was also nominated for collaboration of the year for her work on "Bad Blood" with Kendrick Lamar, and her blockbuster "1989" is competing for album of the year. She's won 16 American Music Awards. Whitney Hous-

ton's 21 awards are the most ever among female artists in the show, which was launched in 1974. Michael Jackson's 24 awards are the most of any artist. Nominations, announced Tuesday, are based on a metric that includes sales, airplay and social activity tracked by Billboard magazine and its partners. Winners are determined by fan votes on the show's website or through Facebook and Twitter. Swift, Sheeran, the Weeknd, Minaj, Trainor, Smith, Luke Bryan, Ariana Grande, Maroon 5 and One Direction are artist of the year nominees. The nomination list will be narrowed to five by Nov. 11 through fan votes. Jennifer Lopez will host the show, which will air live Nov. 22 from the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles on ABC. Besides "Blank Space," song of the year nominees



In this Aug. 22, 2015 file photo, Taylor Swift performs during the "1989" world tour at Staples Center in Los Angeles.

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are "See You Again" by Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth; "Uptown Funk!" by Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars; "Thinking out Loud" by Sheeran; and "Can't Feel My Face" by the Weeknd. Sheeran's "x" and Smith's "In the Lonely Hour" join "1989" in the competition for best album. □

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# H.R. Pufnstuf, child of the '60s, visits Nickelodeon show

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**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — H.R. Pufnstuf is coming back to television, and he's bringing a few old pals and a 1960s vibe along with him. More than 40 years after the debut of the "H.R. Pufnstuf" children's series, its title puppet character will pay a visit to Nickelodeon's new "Mutt & Stuff," the cable channel said Tuesday.

Pufnstuf will be joined by Freddy the Flute and Cling and Clang — along with that duo's cool Rescue Racer — on a "Mutt & Stuff" episode taping next month. It's scheduled to air in early 2016.

"Mutt & Stuff," as the title suggests, shares family history with "H.R. Pufnstuf": Both are from prolific children's TV producers Sid and Marty Krofft.

Nickelodeon's series for preschoolers, which debuted in July, features a mix of puppets and real puppies in its dog-school setting. Calvin Millan, the 16-year-old son of Cesar Millan of "The Dog Whisperer" fame, joins with friend and larger-than-life dog puppet Stuff to provide training tips and



This photo provided by Sid & Marty Krofft Productions and Nickelodeon shows a scene with Cling and Clang driving the Rescue Racer with H.R. Pufnstuf riding in the back from the television series, "H.R. Pufnstuf."

lessons on canine loyalty and love.

"Mutt & Stuff" is the first children's TV show from the Kroffts since they produced "Land of the Lost," the 1974-77 series about a family's adventures in an alternate universe populated by dinosaurs.

The reason for Pufnstuf's visit? He's Stuff's uncle. Marty Krofft promises that Pufnstuf will be the same life-sized, redheaded, cowboy-boot-wearing puppet familiar to viewers of the show that debuted in the late 1960s.

"We don't mess with

our characters," Krofft, 78, said in an interview, speaking for himself and sibling Sid, 86.

Pufnstuf is voiced by comedian, actor and activist Randy Credico. Lennie Weinrib was the puppet's original voice.

Just 17 episodes of "H.R. Pufnstuf" were created for its original 1969-71 run on NBC, but they've lived on in reruns (with MeTV their current home) and the memories of fans.

The show proved so indelible that a 2007 TV Guide poll of all-time cult favorites saw it ranked No. 27, sandwiched between "Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman" and "Stargate SG-1."

Some wags may trace its enduring popularity to the notion that it was a true child of the '60s — in other words, that "H.R. Pufnstuf" had a certain recreational drug aura about it.

Marty Krofft flatly rejects that as untrue.

"If we did the drugs everybody thought we did, we'd be dead today," he said, adding, "you cannot work stoned."

He suggests it was the show's surreal and bright-

ly colored look, in an era marked by hallucinogenic imagery, that prompted such speculation. Another stubborn idea, that the initials "H.R." signified hand-rolled (as in marijuana joint), was also misguided, according to Krofft: They stood for Royal Highness, backward, he said.

The Beatles, themselves fending off claims that their 1967 song "Lucy in the Sky With Diamonds" was a veiled reference to LSD, were among those who found the show intriguing.

The group's manager, Brian Epstein, called to request that copies of the show be mailed to them in England, Krofft said, a request that brother Sid double-checked years later when Ringo Starr became his neighbor in Los Angeles.

Starr in turn had a question for Sid Krofft, according to Marty: "How many drugs did you do?" the Beatle inquired. (Again, Marty Krofft adds, the answer was none.)

The Kroffts have big plans for Pufnstuf and crowd, with possible vehicles including a feature film and their own new TV series. And the siblings are busier than expected with "Mutt & Stuff," since its ratings success prompted Nickelodeon to double its season-one order to 40 episodes. Pufnstuf himself may return in future episodes. "To make another hit at this time in our lives, I've got to give ourselves a pat on the back," Marty Krofft said.

They have more works in progress including "Electra Woman and Dyna Girl," which originated as part of ABC's "The Krofft Supershow" in the 1970s and is being rebooted with YouTube stars Grace Helbig and Hannah Hart. Might other producers be resting on their felt-covered laurels at this point? "What am I gonna do, retire and watch daytime television and be dead in a month?" Krofft replied.

## Julianne Moore rallies fellow actors to fight gun violence

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Actress Julianne Moore is rallying the entertainment industry to help end gun violence. Moore has announced the formation of the Everytown Creative Council.

She says it's an effort to organize the creative community to amplify the message of the movement to end gun violence.

The 80 entertainers who have signed on include Alec Baldwin, Mindy Kaling, Yoko Ono, Jennifer Lawrence and Spike Lee.

Moore said Tuesday that she and her colleagues are saddened by "the daily increase of gun violence in our beautiful country." The Everytown Creative Council is affiliated with Ev-



In this Sept. 28, 2015 file photo, Julianne Moore attends a special screening of "Freeheld" in New York.

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erytown for Gun Safety. That organization was founded by former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

The group aims to mobilize voters to support measures such as enhanced background checks for gun buyers.



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